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## SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please replace the paragraphs indicated below in the original specification with the amended paragraphs, which are marked up to show the changes being made:

Please replace the previously amended paragraph beginning on line 8 of page 20 with the following:

Although the thicknesses of the separator materials in Lots C and D were the same as the thickness of the Lot B separator, there were no cells in either Lot C or Lot D-that exceeded 170°C on the Impact Test. The results for Lots C and D were comparable to those for cells from Example 1 with an electrode assembly void volume to interfacial height ratio of about 0.452, even though the void volume within the cathode and the separator material thickness were both reduced in Lots C and D.